NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION[571]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code subsection 455A.5(6), the Natural Resource Commission hereby amends Chapter 106, "Deer Hunting by Residents," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments remove 17 counties from the paid November and January antlerless-deer-only seasons and restrict the November antlerless-deer-only licenses to the taking of antlerless deer on private land. The January antlerless-deer-only licenses will go on sale on December 15. The antlerless-deer-only quotas were increased in 21 counties and reduced in 5 counties. The amendments also clarify that statewide paid any-deer licenses may not be used in deer population management zones if prohibited by the rules for the management zone. The amendments specify that all antlers from deer taken on shooting permits issued as part of a depredation agreement must be turned over to a conservation officer within 48 hours.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on April 8, 2009, as **ARC 7690B**. A public hearing was held on April 29, 2009. Seven comments were received; one favored and six opposed the proposed changes. Since the Notice was published, the number of antlerless-deer-only licenses was increased in the following 20 counties based upon the results of the deer population trend surveys conducted in April and May: Adair, Cass, Clarke, Crawford, Dallas, Fremont, Harrison, Jasper, Lucas, Madison, Marion, Mills, Monona, Montgomery, Page, Pottawattamie, Shelby, Taylor, Warren, and Woodbury.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 481A.38, 481A.39, 481A.48, 483A.24, 483A.24B, and 483A.24C.

These amendments shall become effective August 5, 2009.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend paragraph **106.1(1)"a"** as follows:

a. Any-deer licenses. Any-deer licenses shall be valid for taking deer of either sex in one season selected at the time the license is purchased. Paid any-deer licenses shall be valid statewide or in a deer population management zone and in one season as selected at the time the license is purchased except where prohibited in deer population management zones established under 571—Chapter 105. Free any-deer licenses shall be valid only on the farm unit of an eligible landowner or tenant in the season or seasons selected at the time the license is obtained.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 106.6(3) as follows:

106.6(3) November antlerless-deer-only season. Antlerless-deer-only licenses for the November antlerless-deer-only season shall be available in the following counties: Adair, Adams, Allamakee, Appanoose, Benton, Bremer, Buchanan, Cass, Cedar, Chickasaw, Clarke, Clayton, Clinton, Dallas, Davis, Decatur, Delaware, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fayette, Fremont, Guthrie, Harrison, Henry, Howard, Iowa, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, Keokuk, Lee, Linn, Louisa, Lucas, Madison, Mahaska, Marion, Mills, Monona, Monroe, Montgomery, Muscatine, Page, Polk, Pottawattamie, Poweshiek, Ringgold, Scott, Taylor, Union, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Winneshiek, and Woodbury. Beginning the second Saturday prior to the opening of the November antlerless-deer-only season, an unlimited number of paid antlerless-deer-only licenses may be purchased for the November antlerless-deer-only licenses that may have been obtained. Licenses will be sold until county quotas are filled. Licenses issued for this season are valid only on private property.

ITEM 3. Amend subrule 106.6(4) as follows:

106.6(4) *January antlerless-deer-only licenses*. Antlerless-deer-only licenses for the January antlerless-deer-only season shall be available in the following counties: Adair, Adams, Allamakee, Appanoose, Benton, Bremer, Buchanan, Cass, Cedar, Chickasaw, Clarke, Clayton, Clinton, Dallas, Davis, Decatur, Delaware, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fayette, Fremont, Guthrie, Harrison, Henry, Howard,

Iowa, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, Keokuk, Lee, Linn, Louisa, Lucas, Madison, Mahaska, Marion, Mills, Monona, Monroe, Montgomery, Muscatine, Page, Polk, Pottawattamie, Poweshiek, Ringgold, Scott, Taylor, Union, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Winneshiek, and Woodbury. Beginning December 15, an unlimited number of paid antlerless-deer-only licenses may be purchased for the January antlerless-deer-only season. These licenses may be obtained regardless of any other paid any-deer or paid antlerless-deer-only licenses that may have been obtained.

ITEM 4. Amend subrule 106.6(6) as follows:

106.6(6) Antlerless-deer-only licenses. Paid antlerless-deer-only licenses will be available by county as follows:

County	<u>Quota</u>	County	Quota	County	Quota
Adair	2100 2400	Floyd	250 150	Monona	1350 1900
Adams	1950	Franklin	150 100	Monroe	3000
Allamakee	4500	Fremont	1300 1500	Montgomery	1150 1300
Appanoose	3300	Greene	150	Muscatine	1700
Audubon	100	Grundy	0	O'Brien	0
Benton	1000	Guthrie	3300	Osceola	0
Black Hawk	0	Hamilton	100	Page	1500 1800
Boone	650	Hancock	0	Palo Alto	0
Bremer	700	Hardin	400	Plymouth	100
Buchanan	400	Harrison	1350 1900	Pocahontas	0
Buena Vista	0	Henry	2000	Polk	1250 1500
Butler	250 150	Howard	800	Pottawattamie	1600 2100
Calhoun	0	Humboldt	0	Poweshiek	750
Carroll	100	Ida	0	Ringgold	2600
Cass	1000 1300	Iowa	1200	Sac	0
Cedar	1300	Jackson	1800	Scott	800
Cerro Gordo	0	Jasper	1300 1700	Shelby	250 300
Cherokee	0	Jefferson	2150	Sioux	0
Chickasaw	600	Johnson	2000	Story	500
Clarke	1900 2200	Jones	1500	Tama	800
Clay	0	Keokuk	1900	Taylor	2450 2650
Clayton	5800	Kossuth	0	Union	2100
Clinton	1200	Lee	2500	Van Buren	5400
Crawford	150 200	Linn	1900	Wapello	2150
Dallas	2300 2700	Louisa	1500	Warren	2400 3200

County	Quota	County	<u>Quota</u>	County	Quota
Davis	3600	Lucas	1800 2200	Washington	2250
Decatur	2800	Lyon	0	Wayne	3000
Delaware	1700	Madison	3000 4000	Webster	100
Des Moines	2000	Mahaska	1350	Winnebago	0
Dickinson	0	Marion	1750 2250	Winneshiek	3500
Dubuque	2000	Marshall	650	Woodbury	1250 1900
Emmet	0	Mills	1150 1350	Worth	100 50
Fayette	3000	Mitchell	250 150	Wright	0

ITEM 5. Amend subparagraph **106.11(4)"b"(7)** as follows:

(7) Antlers from all deer recovered must be turned over to the conservation officer to within 48 hours. Antlers will be disposed of according to department rules.

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